

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS

Regular Meeting

October 20, 1960
10:00 A.M.

Council Chamber, City Hall

The meeting was called to order with Mayor Miller presiding.

Roll call:

Present: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Absent: Councilman Perry

Present also: W. T. Williams, Jr., City Manager; Doren R. Eskew, City Attorney; Reuben Rountree, Jr., Director of Public Works; Robert A. Miles, Chief of Police

Invocation was delivered by REV. LUTHER E. HOLLAWAY, Austin State School.

Councilman White moved that the Minutes of the Meeting of October 13, 1960, be approved. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

MR. LOMIS SLAUGHTER appeared before the Council, objecting to the leasing of space in the Abattoir to a firm doing business in competition with other firms. The City Manager gave a resume of the operations at the Abattoir stating the expenses, during the last few years, had not been met; and that since the boning operations had been added and leased out, the Abattoir had made its operating expenses. He said the first two lessees went out of business. The City provided some facilities, and the revenues had more than offset the expense and left additional funds to help defray the operating costs. He stated the rent now received is sufficient to offset the cost of operation and to defray all the costs of the proposed improvements. Mr. Slaughter did not think that was a good basis to put this on. The Mayor gave a history of the establishment of the Abattoir, and stated he would take a poll of the customers to see if they wanted the operations relinquished. Mr. Slaughter stated he did not think anyone would want to dispense with the Abattoir at all, and that he did not want a poll taken on whether or not the Abattoir was needed, and that he did not want the City to rent a building for private operation at the Abattoir. The City Manager stated that

from the revenues received, and with the cost of renovation, personnel services, water and light, there would be a \$6,436.00 profit, even if the improvements were considered as operating expenses rather than permanent improvements. MR. WILLIAM LEACH listed some complaints regarding the Abattoir--that his company had to move the animals whole, while other people could take out parts; that some of the improvements did not turn out well; that the City did not get enough revenue from this boning operator for the services it performed for him; that the city had responsibility for the product as long as it was on the premises; that the other companies paid taxes and had other expenses from which this boning operator was exempt; and that he did not think the expansion was justified. The Mayor stated that the Council would look into this thoroughly before it proceeded further on any enlargement.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "C" COMMERCIAL DISTRICT ON TWO TRACTS OF LAND (A) LOTS 15 AND 16, BLOCK 2, LEE'S HILL ADDITION, AND (B) LOTS 9-14, BLOCK 2, LEE'S HILL ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Palmer, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: LOT 11, BLOCK 5, CROWS SUBDIVISION OF PART OF OUTLOT 35, DIVISION "B", FROM "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "LR" LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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Absent: Councilman Perry

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Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE ORDERING A CHANGE IN USE AND CHANGING THE USE MAPS ACCOMPANYING CHAPTER 39 OF THE AUSTIN CITY CODE OF 1954 AS FOLLOWS: LOT 1, BLOCK N, JAMES E. BOULDIN ADDITION, FROM "A" RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO "B" RESIDENCE DISTRICT, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; AND SUSPENDING THE RULE REQUIRING THE READING OF ORDINANCES ON THREE SEPARATE DAYS.

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Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

No action was taken on the following zoning application as the County Judge wanted to present it to the Commissioners at their next meeting to see if they would have any comments about the zoning as related to the Travis County Juvenile Home:

SOUTHERN OAK REALTY	2509-11 South Congress Avenue	From "A" Residence To "C" Commercial
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Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE RECEIVING AND ACCEPTING THE WORK OF IMPROVING PORTIONS OF BOLM ROAD, IN THE CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS, WITHIN THE LIMITS HEREBELOW DEFINED, PERFORMED BY LEE MANERS AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATES IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE.

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Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH PAT STANFORD AND ASSOCIATES; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman White moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
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Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller introduced the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN CONTRACT WITH CAPITAL NATIONAL BANK IN AUSTIN, TRUSTEE; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION OF MONEY PAID TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN UNDER SUCH CONTRACT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

The ordinance was read the first time and Councilman White moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its second reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
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Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller brought up the following ordinance for its third reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 182 ACRES OF LAND MORE OR LESS, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE SANTIAGO DEL VALLE GRANT IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS; WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE ORDINANCE.

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman White moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Mayor Miller brought up the following ordinance for its second reading:

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TERRITORY CONSISTING OF 32.55 ACRES OF LAND, SAME BEING OUT OF AND A PART OF THE JAMES P. DAVIS SURVEY NO. 14 IN TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS, WHICH SAID ADDITIONAL TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT

TO AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE
CITY OF AUSTIN, IN PARTICULARS STATED IN THE
ORDINANCE.

The ordinance was read the second time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the rule be suspended and the ordinance passed to its third reading. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The ordinance was read the third time and Councilman Bechtol moved that the ordinance be finally passed. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

The Mayor announced that the ordinance had been finally passed.

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

That the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approved the property situated on the east side of Airport Boulevard as a private gasoline plant consisting of a 10,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, which property is owned by the Texas Blind, Deaf & Orphan School, and is part of the Mrs. Oscar Robinson 65 acre tract, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas and hereby authorizes the said Texas Blind, Deaf & Orphan School to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 1,000 gallon tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment, and from which no gasoline is to be sold, subject to the same being operated in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto, and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendation; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue an occupancy permit for the operation of this private gasoline plant after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted, and accepted subject to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas in the enforcement of the proper police, traffic and fire regulations; and the right of revocation is retained if, after, hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said Texas Blind, Deaf & Orphan School has failed and refused, and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas
October 20, 1960

"Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.
City Manager
Austin, Texas

"Dear Sir:

"I, the undersigned, have considered the application of the Texas Blind, Deaf & Orphan School, by their agent Lloyd D. Nelson, for permission to operate a private gasoline plant consisting of a 1,000 gallon underground tank and electric pump for the sole purpose of servicing their own motor equipment and from which no gasoline is to be sold, upon property located on the east side of Airport Boulevard, which property is designated as part of Mrs. Oscar Robinson 65 acre tract in the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 601 Airport Boulevard.

"This property is located in a "D" Industrial District and I recommend that this permit be granted subject to the following conditions:

"(1) That the gasoline tanks and pumps shall be of an approved type and shall bear the label of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., and that all tanks and pumps shall be installed in compliance with the Ordinance governing the storage and handling of gasoline.

"(2) That all tanks and pumps shall be located not nearer than 10 feet to the property line and so located that cars stopped for the purpose of unloading or receiving gasoline or other supplies shall not in any way obstruct the free passage of traffic on either the sidewalk, street, or alley.

"(3) That "No Smoking" signs shall at all times be prominently displayed and no person shall be permitted to smoke on the premises where gasoline is handled or stored.

"(4) That all fees shall be paid and a permit secured from the Building Inspector's Office before any installation work is started, and that no equipment shall be placed in operation until after final inspection and approval of same.

"Respectfully submitted,
s/ Dick T. Jordan
Building Official"

The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has presented to the City Council tentative maps or plans showing the proposed construction of its underground telephone conduits in the streets in the City of Austin hereafter named and said maps or plans have been considered by the Director of Public Works; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company be and the same is hereby

permitted to construct its underground telephone conduits in the following streets:

- (1) An underground telephone conduit in WEST 38TH STREET, from a point 120 feet west of Guadalupe Street westerly 165 feet, the centerline of which underground telephone conduit shall be 16 feet south of and parallel to the centerline of said WEST 38TH STREET.

THAT the work and construction of said underground telephone conduits, including the excavation of the streets and the restoration and maintenance of said streets after said underground telephone conduits have been constructed, shall be under the supervision and direction of the City Manager and in accordance with the ordinances and regulations of the City of Austin governing such construction.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

WHEREAS, Ray L. Wimberly is the Contractor for the construction of a building located at 2300-02-04 Guadalupe and desires a portion of the sidewalk and street space abutting Lot 31, Block 36, Louis Horsts Subdivision, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, during the erection of the building, such space to be used in the work and for the storage of materials therefor; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

1. THAT space for the uses hereinabove enumerated be granted to said Ray L. Wimberly, the boundary of which is described as follows:

Sidewalk and Street Working Space

Beginning at a point which is the northeast corner of the above described property; thence in an easterly direction and at right angles to the center line of Guadalupe Street to a point 20 feet east of the west property line; thence in a southerly direction and parallel with the center line of Guadalupe Street 70 feet to a point; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the center line of Guadalupe Street 20 feet to a point which is the southeast corner of the above described property; thence in a southerly direction and at right angles to the center line of West 23 Street to a point 12 feet south of the north curb line; thence in a westerly direction and parallel with the center line of West 23 Street 120 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction and at right angles to the center line of West 23 Street to a point which is the southwest corner of the above described property; thence in a westerly direction and at right angles to the center line of San Antonio Street Alley 5 feet to a point; thence in a northerly direction and parallel with the center line of San Antonio Street Alley 70 feet to a point; thence

in an easterly direction and at right angles to the center line of San Antonio Street Alley 5 feet to a point which is the northwest corner of the above described property.

2. THAT the above privileges and allotment of space are granted to the said Ray L. Wimberly, hereinafter termed "Contractor", upon the following express terms and conditions:

(1) That the Contractor shall construct a 4-foot walkway within the outer boundaries of the above described working space, such walkway to be protected on each side by a guard rail at least 4 feet high and substantially braced and anchored, and without wood strips or obstructions of any kind along the pavement within the walkway, and at any time in the opinion of the City Officials it becomes necessary for any reason to install a board floor within the walkway, the Contractor shall upon notice from the Building Inspector immediately place such a wood floor and substantially support same to prevent sagging under load.

(2) That the Contractor is permitted to construct in his working space a substantial gate which shall be kept closed at all times when not in use, and at all times that such gate is open, the Contractor shall maintain a person at this gate to warn pedestrians and vehicles of approaching trucks. This gate is not to open out so as to impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(3) That no vehicles in loading or unloading material at the working space shall park on any part of the street outside of the allotted working space.

(4) That "No Parking" signs shall be placed on the street side of the barricades.

(5) That the Contractor is permitted to construct a temporary work office within such allotted working space provided such work office is not within 25 feet of any corner street intersection.

(6) That the Contractor shall in no way obstruct any fire plugs or other public utilities in the construction of such barricades.

(7) That provisions shall be made for the normal flow of all storm waters in the gutter and the Contractor will be responsible for any damage done due to obstruction of any such storm water.

(8) That the Contractor shall place on the outside corners of any walkway, barricades or obstructions, red lights during all periods of darkness and provide lighting systems for all tunnels.

(9) That the Contractor shall remove all fences, barricades, loose materials and other obstructions on the sidewalk and street immediately after the necessity for their existence on said sidewalk or street has ceased, such time to be determined by the City Manager, and in any event all such sidewalk, barricades, materials, equipment and other obstructions shall be removed not later than March 1, 1961.

(10) That the City reserves the right to revoke at any time any and all the privileges herein granted or to require the erection or installation of additional barriers or safeguards if the conditions demand it.

(11) That the use and enjoyment of the spaces herein granted shall not be exclusive as against public needs, and the City, in making such grant reserves the right to enter and occupy any part or all of said space any time with its public utilities, or for other necessary public purposes.

(12) That the public utility, or public or private property disturbed or injured as a result of any of the activities necessary for the completion of the construction work for said building projects, whether done by the Contractor City Forces, or public utilities, shall be replaced or repaired at the Contractors expense.

(13) That the Contractor shall furnish the City of Austin a surety bond in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) which shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Austin from any claims or damages to any person or property that may accrue to or be brought by any person by reason of the exercise or abuse of the privileges granted the Contractor by the City of Austin and shall guarantee the replacement of all sidewalks, pavement and all other public property and public utilities disturbed or removed during the construction work and shall further guarantee the construction of a walkway and other safeguards during the occupancy of the space.

The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

Councilman White offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

(RESOLUTION)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

THAT the City Council of the City of Austin hereby approves the construction and maintenance of a loading platform in the sidewalk area on the north side of West 4th Street, which property is owned by John H. Chiles, the same being designated as Lot 4, Block 45, of the City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, locally known as 304 West 4th Street, and hereby authorized John H. Chiles to construct and maintain said loading platform, subject to the same being constructed in compliance with all the ordinances relating thereto and further subject to the foregoing attached recommendations; and the Building Inspector is hereby authorized to issue a building permit for the construction of this loading platform after full compliance with all the provisions of this resolution, and said permission shall be held to be granted and accepted subject to all necessary, reasonable and proper, present and future regulations and ordinances of the City of Austin, Texas, in the enforcement of the proper police, traffic and fire regulations, and the right of revocation is retained, if, after hearing, it is found by the City Council that the said John H. Chiles, Jr., has failed and refused and will continue to fail and refuse to perform any such conditions, regulations and ordinances.

(Recommendations attached)

"Austin, Texas
October 20, 1960

"Mr. W. T. Williams, Jr.
City Manager
Austin, Texas

"Dear Sir:

"We, the undersigned, have considered the application of John H. Chiles, Jr., for permission to construct and maintain a loading platform in the sidewalk area on the north side of West 4th Street, which property is designated as Lot 4, Block 45, of the Original City of Austin, Travis County, Texas, and locally known as 304 West 4th Street, and we hereby advise that the following conditions exist:

"The property upon which this business is located is designated as "C-2" Commercial District as shown upon the zoning maps of the City of Austin.

"This neighborhood is essentially a warehouse district in which a number of warehouses now exist with loading platforms extending out over the sidewalk area.

"We recommend that John H. Chiles, Jr. be granted permission to construct and maintain said loading platform in the sidewalk area adjoining the property described above subject to the following conditions:

"That the proposed loading platform be constructed of concrete or heavy timbers and provided with steps and hand rails at each end to permit the passage of pedestrians through this area, and in accordance with the plans on file in the Building Inspector's Office, and that all grades and lines for the curb in front of this property be constructed in accordance with the lines, grades and specifications established by the Department of Public Works and having the approval of the Director of Public Works.

"Respectfully submitted,
s/ Reuben Rountree
Director of Public Works
s/ Dick T. Jordan
Building Official"

The motion, seconded by Councilman Bechtol, carried by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
Noes: None
Absent: Councilman Perry

Action on awarding the contract for the water sprinkler system at Brackenridge Hospital was deferred until next week.

The Council had before it an application from DR. HENRY RENFERT for permission to construct living quarters on a boat dock in Lake Austin. It was pointed out that under the present ordinance, living quarters on boat docks were not permitted.

The Council set the tax appeals for hearing on Thursday, October 27, at 2:00 P.M.

The Council had before it the Status of Water and Sanitary Sewer Contract Projects as of October 1, 1960. Councilman Bechtol made inquiry of the 10% retainage on the contract for the relocation of Water Mains - Interregional Highway.

The Council looked over the plans for the swimming pool at Bartholomew Park. Councilman Palmer asked if the pattern for traffic entering and leaving the park had been checked with the Traffic Engineer. The City Manager stated later a park drive could be worked out. Discussion of setting a penalty and completion date was held. The City Manager stated it had been planned to set up \$100,00 a day penalty. Also discussed was the pre-qualifying of the contractors. Councilman Palmer moved that the City Manager be authorized to take bids on the plans as submitted. The motion, seconded by Councilman White, carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmen Bechtol, Palmer, White, Mayor Miller
 Noes: None
 Absent: Councilman Perry

MAYOR MILLER read a letter from MRS. IRL ALLISON regarding the sirens on ambulances and suggested that the siren be used only as the ambulance approached the hospital. Chief Miles stated that the funeral directors had gone on record as favoring the elimination of sirens.

Invitation from the League of Women Voters to the Council, City Manager, City Attorney, Assistant City Manager and other officials to a Tea honoring all the International students and teachers at the University, in the Women's Gymnasium, was read. The tea is on Thursday, October 27th from 4:00 to 5:30 P.M.

The City Manager submitted the request from MR. WILLIAM BURKE, Board of Control, for the use of a part of Zilker Park for a McKinney Boy Scout Group who wants to paint the star emblem on the Capitol fence. The Director of Recreation stated boy scout groups had used the area on the hill beyond the parking lot for camping out, and used the bathhouse facilities. The Mayor suggested that the City Manager work this out with Mr. Burke.

The City Manager stated that COLONEL KENGLIA reported that a commercial concern has brought in an air-raid shelter and will set it up at 11th and Congress and he mentioned that there were others that may want to exhibit these shelters from time to time. He suggested that space be provided near the permanent shelter in Zilker Park for the commercial concerns to display their sample shelters.

The City Manager stated he had an inquiry from MR. FRANK McBEE asking permission for the Texas Research Association to conduct an experiment on the parking lot at the Auditorium. They want to test some equipment that is being developed that would indicate a direction which a towed object was facing. Finally, after much discussion about the use of the parking lot, the Council informally agreed to let him have the permission for a one-day stand if the Chief of Police approved it and would have someone over there, at the Association's expense.

The City Manager submitted a report of Street Paving as of September 30, 1960, stating the Director of Public Works showed streets graded and improved as of September 30, 1959 - 336.34 miles and for September 30, 1960 - 309.70 miles; streets paved, including alleys - 341.94 miles as of September 30, 1959;

and 379.57 as of the same date in 1960. He stated the paved streets for 1959 represented 50.4% of the total mileage; while on September 30, 1960, the paved streets represented 55.1% which meant there were 5% more paved streets than we had a year ago.

Councilman White discussed status of items on the Proposed Schedule of Paving Contracts - October 20, 1960. The Director of Public Works reported on the utilities, and stated that bids would be taken on November 8, 1960.

MR. DAVID BARROW made an informal report on a meeting he had with a representative of the General Services on the Post Office site.

The Council recessed until 2:00 P.M.

RECESSED MEETING

2:00 P.M.

At 2:00 P. M. the Council resumed its business.

The Board of Equalization met with the Council to schedule the Tax Appeals and discuss the time required for hearing the various tax appeals.

The City Manager stated that the Council had discussed the possibility of selling one of the old generators at the Power Plant, and it was mentioned that the Calcasieu Paper Company in Elizabeth, Louisiana, might be interested. He said that MR. W. M. CUNNINGHAM, Purchasing Agent for the Company had made an offer for the generator, condenser, heater, and a lifting crane, which the City could not dispose of. Mr. Cunningham also wanted the City to bear the expense of opening the generator for inspection. The Mayor stated that if they wanted to come up and have the inspection made at their own expense, that permission would be given to open it up. The City Manager stated he would invite them down and let them make the inspection at their expense, and not consider this as an offer until they were ready to buy it.

The City Manager stated that MR. MAURICE DOAKE, Coach at the University, wanted permission to store some lumber and material that a contractor will give him for the bon-fire for the Texas-A&M Game, on the north bank of the river where there is a material yard. No action was taken.

The City Manager reported that the Seaholm Plaque had been mounted on the SEAHOLM POWER PLANT.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned at 4:40 P.M., subject to the call of the Mayor.

APPROVED

Mayor

ATTEST:

Elin Hensley

City Clerk